

types of Saurians in completion of a former paper on the same subject.

Pending nominations 1332 to 1334 were read.

Mr. Wm. A. Ingham moved to amend Chapter viii, Section 3 of the Laws, by striking out "from 10 A.M. to 1 P.M.," and inserting "at such hours as the Society may by resolution from time to time direct." Laid over under the laws.

The Judges of election reported the receipt of a paper questioning the eligibility of a candidate. As they deemed the question beyond their jurisdiction the paper was referred to the Society for action. On motion, the President was requested to appoint a committee of three to investigate and report upon it.

After reading the rough minutes, the Society was adjourned by the presiding member.

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*Stated Meeting, January 17, 1896.*

President, Mr. FRALEY, in the Chair.

Present, 36 members.

Correspondence was submitted as follows:

Invitation from the Société Impériale Russe de Géographie, St. Petersburg, to attend the Fiftieth Anniversary of its foundation, February 2 (January 21), 1896.

Letter from Mr. Thomas Meehan, offering to take in hand the labeling of the South American plants from Dr. Barton's collection belonging to the Society, and suggesting that they be deposited in the herbarium of the Academy of Natural Sciences, Philadelphia.

A communication from the Librarian of the University of Virginia, Charlottesville, stating that their complete set of the A. P. S. *Proceedings* was destroyed by fire, October 27, 1895, was referred to Secretaries with power to act.

Letters of acknowledgment (148) were received from the Wag-

ner Free Institute, Franklin Institute, Historical Society of Pennsylvania, College of Physicians, Numismatic and Antiquarian Society, Gen. I. J. Wistar, Hon. Mayer Sulzberger, Profs. John Ashhurst, Jr., F. A. Genth, Jr., H. D. Gregory, James MacAlister, James Tyson, M.D., Drs. John H. Brinton, W. C. Cattell, Samuel G. Dixon, Ed. A. Foggo, George H. Horn, Morris Longstreth, Charles A. Oliver, Charles Schäffer, D. K. Tuttle, William H. Wahl, Messrs. R. Meade Bache, Henry C. Baird, George Tucker Bispham, Lorin Blodget, Arthur E. Brown, Jacob B. Eckfeldt, Benjamin Smith Lyman, Theodore D. Rand, J. G. Rosengarten, F. D. Stone, Philadelphia; Mr. Heber S. Thompson, Pottsville, Pa.; Dr. W. H. Appleton, Swarthmore, Pa.; Dr. John Curwen, Warren, Pa.; Prof. J. T. Rothrock, West Chester, Pa.; Prof. Ira Remsen, Baltimore, Md.; University of Virginia, Prof. J. W. Mallet, M.D., Charlottesville.

Accessions to the Library were reported from the Institut Egyptien, Cairo; Académie Imp. des Sciences, St. Petersburg, Russia; Friesch Genootschap van Geschied, etc., Leuwarden, Netherlands; Académie des Sciences, Cracow, Austria; K. K. Geologische Reichsanstalt, Vienna, Austria; Gesellschaft für Anthropologie, Ethnologie, etc., Berlin, Prussia; Gartenbauverein, Darmstadt, Germany; K. Sächs. Gesellschaft der Wissenschaften, Leipzig; Nassauischen Vereine für Naturkunde, Wiesbaden, Prussia; Biblioteca N. C., Firenze, Italia; Société de Géographie, Lille, France; Redaction *Cosmos*, Le Mqs. de Nadaillac, Paris, France; Meteorological Office, R. Geographical Society, Editors of *Nature*, R. Microscopical Society, Editors of *The Geological Magazine*, London, Eng.; Agricultural Experiment Station, Durham, N. H.; Mass. Historical Society, Boston, Mass.; Astronomical Observatory of Harvard College, Cambridge, Mass.; Essex Institute, Salem, Mass.; R. I. Historical Society, Providence; Editors of *The American Journal of Science*, Yale University, New Haven, Conn.; Editor of *The Popular Science Monthly*, Academy of Sciences, Editor of *The World*, New York, N. Y.; College of Pharmacy, Franklin Institute, Amer. Society for the Extension of University

Teaching, Mr. Wharton Barker, Drs. Persifor Frazer, Edmund J. James, Hon. Samuel W. Pennypacker, Philadelphia; Oberlin College Library, Oberlin, O.

A photograph for the Society's Album was received from Mr. Thomas Clarke, New York, N. Y.

The death of Mr. Henry Hazlehurst, of Philadelphia, on January 11, 1896, æt. 49, was announced, and the President was requested to appoint a member to prepare an obituary notice.

Prof. Cope read an obituary notice of Prof. John A. Ryder.

The stated business of the meeting being the choosing of a Librarian, a ballot was taken, and on count of the vote the Tellers announced the election of George H. Horn.

The choosing of Standing Committees being in order, Mr. Prime moved that they be appointed by the President. Carried unanimously.

The Special Committee appointed to inquire into the eligibility of candidates and electors at the late election made a report which was received and the Committee discharged.

Prof. Hilprecht presented his paper on "Old Babylonian Inscriptions," which on motion was referred to a Special Committee to examine and report. The President appointed Talcott Williams, Patterson DuBois and J. Sergeant Price, the Committee.

Pending nominations Nos. 1332 to 1334 and new nominations Nos. 1335 to 1345 were read.

On motion of Dr. Morris, the nominations of non-residents were referred to Council.

On motion of Mr. Price, the Society authorized the Treasurer to receive payment for loan of the city of Philadelphia now due and payable.

The letter of Mr. Meehan regarding South American plants in our cabinet was referred to the Curators to report at the next meeting.

On motion of Dr. Frazer, amended by Dr. Brinton, the Secretaries were directed to print a revised list of surviving members with their addresses.

The amendment to the Laws offered at last meeting was considered. The Librarian gave proof of advertisement.

By the requisite vote, Chap. viii, Sec. 3, was amended by striking out "10 A.M. to 1 P.M.," and inserting "at such hours as the Society may fix by resolution from time to time."

The rough minutes were then read, and the Society was adjourned by the President.

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*Stated Meeting, February 7, 1896.*

Present, 16 members.

President, Mr. FRALEY, in the Chair.

Correspondence was submitted as follows :

A letter from Prof. George H. Smith, Los Angeles, Cal., expressing grateful appreciation of the honor conferred upon him by the Society, in publishing his essay, and presenting him with two hundred and fifty copies.

A letter from Mr. Benjamin Sharp, Philadelphia, requesting for the Academy of Natural Sciences the privilege of having a microscopical examination made of two pieces of Jade, deposited in the Museum of the Academy. On motion, this request was referred to the Curators.

Acknowledgments were received from the Institut Egyptien, Cairo (147); K. K. Bergakademie, Leoben, Austria (92-107, 110, 111, 113-120, 125-133, 135-147); K. K. Zoolog-botanische Gesellschaft, Vienna, Austria (147); Schlesische Gesellschaft für vaterl. Cultur, Breslau, Prussia (147); Naturhistorische Gesellschaft, Hannover, Prussia (147); Naturhistorische Gesellschaft, Nürnberg, Bavaria (147); Verein für Naturkunde, Offenbach-a.-M., Germany (143, 143, 147); K. Geodätisches Institut, Potsdam, Prussia (147); Biblioteca N. C., Firenze, Italia (147); R. Istituto di Scienze, etc., Milan, Italy (143, 146); Observatorio di Torino, Torino, Italia (147, and *Trans.*, xviii, 2); Prof. G. Sergi, Rome, Italy (147); Commission des Annales des Mines